BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

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| IN RE: |) | |
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| PETITION OF BELLSOUTH |) | DOCKET NO. |
| TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR |) | 03-00391 |
| EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN SERVICES | <u>)</u> | |

ORDER GRANTING SPRINT'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

On June 16, 2003 BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and Citizens Communications, Inc. (collectively "the Petitioners") filed a *Petition for Exemption of Certain Services* (the "*Petition*") in this docket. The Petitioners request exemption from regulation of their intraLATA toll service and primary rate ISDN ("PRI") service. This matter is before the Hearing Officer for consideration of the *Motion for Extension of Time* ("*Motion*") filed on August 9, 2004 by United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. ("Sprint").

On January 2, 2004 the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division ("Consumer Advocate") filed a petition to intervene in this docket. The Consumer Advocate's petition to intervene was granted by an order entered in this docket on January 8, 2004. On July 9, 2004 Sprint filed a petition to intervene in this docket. Sprint's petition to intervene was granted by an order entered in this docket on August 4, 2004.

On July 30, 2004 the Hearing Officer entered the *Order Amending Procedural Schedule* ("*Order*"). The *Order* set August 2, 2004 as the date for filing and serving the first round of discovery requests in this docket. The *Order* set August 16, 2004 as the date responses to the first round of discovery requests are presently due from all parties in this docket.

Consistent with the Order's requirements the Consumer Advocate filed the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division's First Set of Discovery Requests Regarding Primary Rate ISDN Service Propounded to United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. ("Consumer Advocate's Discovery") on August 2, 2004.

In its *Motion*, Sprint requests that it be allowed to file responses to the *Consumer Advocate's Discovery* by August 18, 2004.

Upon review of Sprint's *Motion*, and based on Sprint's representation therein that the Consumer Advocate has indicated that it does not object to the requested extension, the Hearing Officer finds the *Motion* well taken.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The *Motion for Extension of Time* filed by United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. on August 9, 2004 is granted.
- 2. The procedural schedule in this docket is hereby amended to the extent that United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. shall serve responses to the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division's First Set of Discovery Requests Regarding Primary Rate ISDN Service Propounded to United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. and file the same in this docket by 2:00 p.m. on August 18, 2004.
- 3. This Order shall not otherwise modify the *Order Amending Procedural Schedule* entered by the Hearing Officer in this docket on June 30, 2004.

Randal L. Gilliam, Hearing Officer